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DEDICATION AT NYSSA

This church was organized by B. Ross Evans, State Evangelist, on October 6, 1940. The Laymen's League, of South Idaho, gave very valuable assistance both personally and financially. In December, 1941, with the assistance of our Permanent Fund, they purchased the Nazarene church building and moved it to their own lots. On Sept. 13 they dedicated their new home amidst great joy and rejoicing. C. F. Swander, State Secretary, assisted them. The cost of basement construction and moving the building was about $1,600. On dedication day they lacked $480.00 of paying out. The response to a call for that resulted in $575.32. H. N. Waddell, pastor, had come to them from Wyoming only two weeks previously. He gives promise of a fruitful ministry. The Sunday following dedication there were 5 baptisms and 6 added by statement.

EDUCATIONAL WORKER

The State Educational Committee is arranging with Mrs. Goldia Ferguson again for week-end visits to Bible Schools for a portion of the year. She will meet with the workers on Friday night, over Saturday and Sunday afternoon. She will survey what the School now is and make suggestions of what it should be, helping to realize the ideal. The school visited will be expected to entertain her over the week-end and contribute an offering toward her travel expense. The State Committee will supply her salary. She can go only within reach of Springfield for these trips. Make applications for her visits to C. F. Swander, State Educational Director, 307 Panama Building, Portland, Oregon.

HEARTHSTONE

This is the name of a new quarterly publication for daily devotional use. It is about the size of The Reader's Digest, and contains a selected scripture for each day, a brief meditation and a sentence prayer. The meditations for the entire week carry the same thought. The price is 50c per year for a single subscription; if ordered in lots of five or more to one address they are 10c per copy. Send to The Christian Board of Publication, St. Louis, Missouri.

STATE CONVENTION

OF NINETY AND NINE

Monday, October 12, 1942

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Theme

"This is the victory . . . . . even our faith"

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PROGRAM

2:30 District and committee reports.
Discussion of problems in men's work
Address: " Victorious Ninety and Nine," Willie White.
5:30 Fellowship Dinner, 75 cents.
7:15 Song service and devotions.
Election of officers.
Report of Planning Committee and projects for next year.
Address: "Light for this dark hour," Orval D. Peterson.

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GUEST SPEAKER

ORVAL D. PETERSON
Pastor First Christian Church
Yakima, Washington
Pastor Counsellor Washington Ninety and Nine

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SPECIAL MUSIC

N. C. C. Male Quartette
The Tan-Ditters
The Willie Whites
Men's Chorus

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OUR AIM

At least one delegate from each local church plus the ministers.
BE ONE OF THE 300

WOMEN'S PROJECT WEST CHINA

Oregon women are turning again to China for a special project for world-wide work this year. It is one for $500.00 for the work of Nanking University operating now at Chengtu, West China. Our fund is to go for the work of Cammie Gray with Chinese students who have made the long trek westward in the pursuit of education, and that of Dr. Lewis Smythe in industrial cooperatives. Our other China project, the support of evangelism under the direction of J. H. McCallum, was inspiring and successful. We anticipate that this year's project will prove not less so.

After careful and prayerful consideration your Board, in view of numerous requests for another China project, decided upon this as being one whose thrilling challenge would find a generous response among the Councils, Business Guilds, and Missionary Societies in Oregon.

In a recent letter Mrs. H. B. Marx, National Secretary, says: "The value of a definite project lies within its challenge as it personalizes in an intimate way a particular phase of the great world-wide task, deepening interest and stimulating financial stewardship. Its acceptance as a method came out of a need expressed by churches and organizations themselves for this more intimate approach."

All the giving of local groups, including their regular offerings, will be credited to the aims of local organizations and also to the state. The definite project is NOT a special appeal made after local organizations have already been urged to accept higher goals, but it is a way by which those aims may be reached or exceeded.

In order to avoid confusion concerning the project please bear in mind, (1) The project is for the support of an item within the regular foreign missions budget; (2) Since the project is realized only through giving which is an increase by all adult organizations over last year offerings to the project should not be specified. At the close of the year when the total increase for the state can be known that amount will be credited to the West China project. See your missionary study book, "Forward in Missions and Education," and World Call for information.

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OFFERING DAYS

Three important offering days are just around the corner. They are: First, Rally Day for State Missions. This is an old established custom in Oregon. Second, the first Sunday in November for State Missions. If your church depends upon special offerings this is the time. We hope for a state missionary sermon in every pulpit on that day. Third, Thanksgiving Sunday for Christian Education. This offering normally goes to Unified Promotion; but if your church does not support Unified Promotion send it to the state office. 75% of what you send to Unified Promotion comes back to our Educational Committee. Observe these days.

"OPENING DOORS FOR GOD"

This is the name of the new evangelistic program prepared by the Home Missions Planning Council. The packet of material contains a poster with a picture of Jesus knocking at the door, and manuals for the minister, superintendent and teachers. If you have not yet received a copy of this packet order one from the state office. They are free. The program can be used any time during the year.

TABERNACLE REPAIRS

The much needed repairs on the tabernacle have begun. On September 2, 3 a group of preachers did the work on the roof. We are under obligations to Elery Parrish, Wm. F. Morse, Bruce Caldwell, Ivan Correll, and Gene Robinson for this work. Thank you, Boys!

And now comes A. F. Linn, long time friend to state work, with a challenge to the wheat-growers of mid-Columbia district to paint the tabernacle. He is suggesting $50.00 contributions. He proves the sincerity of his challenge by planking down his $50.00 check on the barrelhead. Who will meet the challenge? You are not prohibited from giving more than $50, and we wouldn't be guilty of refusing to accept less. Send all checks, or pledges, to C. F. Swander, 307 Panama Building, Portland, Oregon. Who will be next?

OREGON MISSIONARY TIDINGS

Mrs. E. F. Leake, Secretary
MISSIONARY ORGANIZATIONS

"THE HOUR IS COME—"

So spake our Master 1900 years ago as He faced the ordeal of the cross. It was an hour fraught with infinite, potential significance for all mankind —an hour of sorrow, of sacrifice, of suffering and death, but not an hour of retrenchment as to the redemptive purpose and plan of God.

We, His followers of 1942, cannot escape the conviction that we, too, face an hour of supreme significance in the spiritual history of mankind. It is certain to bring sorrow, sacrifice, suffering, and even death to multitudes. But there is no place or justification for retrenchment or abatement of our loyalty than there was for our Master.

If this be an hour of supreme tragedy it is at the same time an hour of supreme opportunity for the Church of our Lord. Never has it been quite so manifest that the church holds in her hand the spiritual destiny of the world as at this moment.

Is the church spiritually great enough to meet the challenge of the hour? The answer to that question will be found in the individual loyalty of the followers of Christ wherever we serve no matter how humble that place may be. Conditions may force upon us radical readjustments in our churches but the vital thing is that we shall "keep the faith" and go forward with redoubled loyalty and willingness to sacrifice. A new world is to be built. It must be a better world than we have known. It can be built only by the carpenter of Nazareth whom we love and serve. Ours is the strategic position in the spiritual history of the world. Truly, "The hour is come." We dare not disappoint our Lord nor fail in the maintainance of His program of redemption.

A GIRL'S CAMP

A girls camp is to be held at Turner July 11-18, 1943. The age limits will be 8 to 14. There will be study both Biblical and missionary, worship, games, and projects of all kinds. Start now to plan for your junior and intermediate girls to attend.

CHILDREN'S WORK BULLETIN

The third issue of the Children's Bulletin has been mailed out by the Director of children's work, Mrs. Laura Torgerson. Every children's worker in the state should have a copy. Mrs. Torgerson is to be congratulated on the issuance of this bulletin of such outstanding excellence.

WORD FROM MRS. GOULTER

Mrs. J. E. May, Forest Grove, has received the following word from Mrs. Goulter: "I think you know now that the report that my husband was on the Gripsholm was a false report. He was not on the boat and Mr. McCallum says he had not heard from him since May 5." Surely we shall be in prayer for our missionaries through these difficult days, and how we rejoice with Eva and James McCallum over his safe return to this country.

YOUTH AREA CONVENTIONS

The State Educational Committee has approved 12 area conventions for youth, to be held in November, 3 each Sunday during the month. The program will begin at 3 p. m. and close at 9 o'clock. Program will include an opening and closing worship service, two conferences, fellowship and social hour, and two inspiring addresses.

A choice of projects will be presented to the youth groups, though many will want to share in both. One will be $100.00 for the White Swan Indian Mission, and the other a $100 membership in the "50-club" of Northwest Christian College.

Announce these conventions to your youth groups and make plans now to attend. Places will be announced later.

NEWS NOTES

Mrs. Frances Hyland has consented to again take the superintendency of the youth work. Write her for helps, Box 504, Eugene, Oregon.

Missionary organizations will continue the Service Gift project for the Yakima Indian Mission. A booklet on the work of the Mission will soon be available.

The work of the Women's Association of Kern Park church is progressing under the leadership of Mrs. John Marsh. Under the direction of Mrs. Van Billiard 316 quarts of applesauce were canned for the Beaverton Home. The Red Cross sewing unit has made 34 lap robes and 5 layetts, besides hospital gowns. 20 dozen cookies were baked for the Y.M.C.A. Service Men's Club, and 4 cakes each month are made for George A. White Service Center. A new Christian flag and a service flag with 36 stars were dedicated.

The Medford society met with the Ashland society for a picnic in Lithia Park on July 15. It was followed by the regular meeting.

The Eugene society held a tea in July honoring Mrs. Goulter. Mrs. Keefe, of Portland, was the guest speaker at the August breakfast. Neighboring societies were invited to both these meetings.

STATE OFFERINGS

July 1 — September 30, 1942

CHURCHES: Albany, $75.00; Corvallis, $7.85; Creswell, $3.20; Falls City, $9.00; Gladstone, $31.68; Joseph, $7.65; Kern Park, $37.75; Klamath Falls, $24.00; Mallory Ave., $23.03; Mill City, $13.20; Milton, $18.00; Mosier, $15.00; No. Bend, $12.00; Nyssa, $4.00; Odell, $5.00; Ontario, $7.50; Pendleton, $34.92; Roseburg, $14.70; Salem First, $62.40; Silverton, $5.00; Stayton, $10.00; St. Johns, $25.00; Turner, $2.10; Vernonia, $14.40; Yamhill, $7.50. Total, $469.61.

SCHOOLS: Brownsville, $9.71; Heppner, $10.00; Hood River, $5.00; Ontario, $3.00; Sheridan, $19.76; Yamhill, $20.00. Total, $67.47.

WOMEN: Englewood, $5.00; Lebanon, $10.00.

YOUNG PEOPLE: Kern Park, $2.25.

INDIVIDUALS: The Tan-Ditters, $6; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Goode, $11.00; Fay Johnstone, $10.00; Mrs. J. R. Howard, $1.00; Mrs. A. M. Peterson, $15.00; R. L. Runn, $5.00; Courtney Swander, $1; B. Ross Evans, $10.00; Marion F. Horn, $1.00; Alice Mahn, $2.90; N. J. Reasoner, $5.00. Total, $67.90.

PERMANENT FUND: Interest, $129.12; Principal, $1,352.78.

Goals

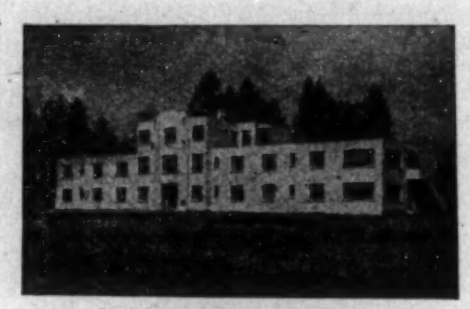
The following churches have accepted goals for state offerings: Barlow, Culver, Gladstone, Hermiston, Hillsboro, Hood River, Klamath Falls, Medford First, Mill City, Milton, Mosier, No. Bend, Englewood, Kern Park, Mallory Ave., St. Johns, Salem Court, Sheridan, Wallowa, Wasco. Should there be any error in this list please report it to the state secretary and correction will be made. Some churches have increased the suggested goal; none have lowered it; and one only has rejected the goal idea.

Monthly Payments

The most logical and satisfactory method of supporting state work is by monthly payments. The following churches are doing that: Ontario, Kern Park, Falls City, St. Johns, Salem First, Gladstone, Yamhill, Klamath Falls, Roseburg, Nyssa. Some make appropriations of a monthly sum; others operate on a percentage basis. It is the monthly feature that is most important. Why not try it?

The Englewood society folded about 4,000 bandages for the Shriners' Hospital and made another afghan for the Red Cross.

The Gladstone society sends a monthly letter to the boys in service. The boys are grateful for these. The society has adopted a Chinese baby.



NORTHWESTERN CHRISTIAN HOME

Mrs. Laura K. Hill, Supt.

Home Has Good Summer

This has been a good summer at Northwestern Christian Home. There has not been much illness and there was only one death during the summer. Three new members joined the family in June. Work on flowers and garden has been rewarded by abundant returns in both. By actual record the garden has yielded just about $100.00 in supplies by the middle of September. We still have an abundance of fresh tomatoes, and about enough potatoes and squash to last until spring. There are some other autumn vegetables.

Several members of the family had the pleasure of short trips to visit with friends.

The ladies of the Home who were able to attend enjoyed a party given them at her home by Mrs. Peckham, of Beaverton.

Infirmary Serves

At the time this is written Mrs. Anna Junkin is being cared for in the infirmary. She is past 88 years of age and has been in failing health for some time.

New Sweeper Necessary

After many repairs our electric sweeper finally quit completely. It was imperative that we have another immediately and it was the last one the store had in stock. We took it lest we get none at all. Contributions to help cover the cost will be most welcome.

Christmas Approaches

With the summer ended we are beginning to look toward Christmas offerings. The workers in the office of the National Benevolent Association are now busy in anticipation of this. Thousands of pieces of literature have been printed and are being packed and addressed for shipment in due season to those churches which have standing orders for Christmas supplies. Churches which do not have standing orders should place their requests early so that supplies will arrive in time for effective use as soon as the Thanksgiving offering for Christian Education is past. There are often unavoidable delays in transportation these days.

Annuities Pay Double Dividends

For many years investors have found annuities of the National Benevolent Association a satisfactory source of good and regular income. In all the years a payment has never been late. After the death of the investors the principal remains to carry on the work of benevolence. Anyone interested should write to Northwestern Christian Home, or to The National Benevolent Association for literature giving full information and quoting rates.

Summer Canning Counts

Results of canning by friends of the Home are already beginning to show on our shelves. Deliveries from Newberg, Roseburg, and Walla Walla have arrived.

Mercy Marches

In the midst of war mercy marches on in the work of Christian benevolence. Now as well as in time of peace the church can prove its character by caring for its own. —Walter L. Myers.

CHURCH NEWS

Kenneth Knox is the new pastor at Medford Central.

J. R. Adams reports 1 baptism at North Bend since July 1.

Three additions recently at Astoria. F. W. Zook, pastor.

E. C. Hawkins baptized one at Hood River Valley September 27.

A. E. Page has resigned Canby to accept the work at Sweet Home.

Amity reports 3 baptisms, 3 by statement recently. Wm. F. Morse, pastor.

Eugene Sabin leaves No. Plains for Redwood City California.

Hubert E. Sias is the new pastor at Forest Grove, coming all the way from Indiana. However belonging to Oregon. Welcome home.

P. Richard Campbell comes from Idaho Falls to Central Point. A welcome to him.

Earle C. Miller received 12 confessions and 3 by statement at Baker on September 13.

Earl H. Fife will commence a meeting at Milton on November 22. Joe Jewett is pastor.

B. Ross Evans, state evangelist, closed a meeting at Corbett with 9 confessions, 6 by statement and 10 reconsecrations. Ralph Putnam is pastor. Brother Evans supplied the pulpit at Wasco for Claude Stephens on September 27. He commences at Kern Park on October 4.

Richard DeVilliers left Tillamook for South Dakota the last of September. During his year of ministry there he added 90 to the church, of which 56 were baptisms. We regret to lose him from the state.

NINETY AND NINE NEWS

Ray C. Smith, Secretary

Evangelism

Our evangelist, Willie White, reports a "pick-up" in the meeting at Florence after a rather slow start, and that there have been several fine responses. He goes to Heppner for another meeting in October, working with Martin Clark, minister. Both expect to attend the convention and a full report will be made at that time. Willie is billed for another meeting at Elgin With Glen Ballard in November.

Men of the Metropolitan district conducted the services at Vernonia on Labor Day Sunday for W. O. Livingstone while he was on vacation and brought back a fine report of the grand fellowship enjoyed. This trip is an event of several years standing and is looked forward to by our "laymen evangelists." Those in charge were Cleve Hudson, Joe Williams, K. I. Dixon and Martin Kullowatz.

A letter from O. J. Hull at Eugene states that he has been doing as much as his health will permit in promoting interest in Ninety and Nine work in Lane county, McKenzie district. We hope that he will be able to continue in this fine service and he asks for the prayers of the brethren for strength to carry on.

Officers are Busy

The State Executive Committee has met with the special convention committee twice in recent weeks to lay out and perfect plans for the convention as well as next year's activity. State President Dr. Beatty wishes to stress the importance of the coming convention in the light of rapid moving world events and urges Christian men to attend and co-operate in the work that lies ahead of us.

Yamhill Reaches Goal

Yamhill district has followed McKenzie in reaching their year's budget quota, making a remittance of $54.96 to total $125.00. A good rally with 42 men in attendance was held at Amity on September 20 with Frank Cunningham, of Newberg, as speaker. Lloyd Read, K. I. Dixon and Ray Smith, of Portland, attended and brought greetings from the state oofficers. The program was directed by Ed Lee, of Amity. Milton Bower, of Sheridan led the song service, and Dr. Root, of Newberg, played the piano. Murry Dobbins of Amity, son of district president Cliff Dobbins, played an accordian solo, and Opal Glahn and Mrs. Maxine Shield sang a beautiful duet.

HELP WANTED

The White Swan Indian Mission needs a single woman to serve as girls matron, and a couple for general work. This is an urgent need. Address Dallas C. Rice, Box 197, White Swan, Washington.

OBITUARY

Mrs. Lillie Plaster died at her home in Roseburg August 21. She was a lifelong member of the Christian Church, and was a sister to Alice Mahn of that city.

Mrs. Nick Bothman died at Forest Grove September 16. She was the mother of Mrs. Dallas Rice, White Swan, Washington.

A WORTHY WORK

Mrs. Laura Drill, Salem, is opening her home as a residence to young women who come to Salem for work. Any desiring advantage of this opportunity for a Christian home may write her at 885 No. Winter St. Salem, for rates and privilege.

John Baird was ordained to the Christian ministry at Brownsville on September 27. His father, W. R. Baird, Modesto, California, and well known to Oregon folk, officiated at the service. Congratulations, John.

Claude Sabin begins his ministry with Mallory Ave. very auspiciously. The Church has been repainted and the study renovated. A hearty reception was given him on September 25. May this be the beginning of a long ministry.

Willamette Elects Officers

Willamette District also held a rally at Albany on the 21st with a splendid spirit and enthusiasm expressed. Ed Reasor, of Salem, presided and the following men were chosen to serve on a district board of managers: Lee Doty, Tillamook; J. E. Estep, Lebanon; Frank Dornhecker, Dallas; and Will Pearson, Salem. Prof. Wm. Siefke, of N.C.C., brought a forceful message, and words of greeting and encouragement were expressed by several pastors as well as by Dr. C. R. Beatty, Ed DeWees and Martin Kullowatz, state officers visiting from Portland.

Metropolitan District

The Metripolitan district held its regular rally with the St. John's Church on September 28. There were about 90 men present. About $112.00 was paid in on the district's goal. Delegates were present from almost every church in the district. Claude Sabin, new pastor of the Mallory Avenue Church, brought a good message on the subject "Men of the Pilgrim Heart." It was one of their best rallies.

A CHALLENGE TO CHRISTIAN MEN

'Twas a **sheep**, not a **lamb**, that wandered away,
In the parable Jesus told;
A Grown-up **sheep** that had gone astray
From the ninety and nine in the fold.

Out in the wilderness, out in the cold,
'Twas a **sheep** the good shepherd sought;
And back to the flock, safe in the fold
'Twas a **sheep** the good shepherd brought.

And why for the **sheep** should we earnestly long,
And as earnestly hope and pray?
Because, don't you see, if they go wrong,
They will lead the young **lamb** away.

For the **lambs** will follow the **sheep**, you know,
Wherever the **sheep** may stray.
If the **sheep** go wrong, it will not be long
Till the **lambs** are as wrong as they.

And so with the **sheep** we earnestly plead
For the sake of the **lambs** today;
If the **lambs** are lost what a trrrible cost
Some **sheep** will have to pay.

—C. D. Meigs

ET CETERA

On account of the rush incident to the opening of school President Burke did not get his N. C. C. column ready on time for this issue of The Oregon Christian. It will appear as usual next month. The enrollment is reaching satisfactory figures and every indication is that this will be one of their very best school years.

Miss Ida Mae Irvin has been having a very satisfactory trip among the church schools of Oregon. Holding conferences at Klamath Falls, Grants Pass, Albany, Salem, Portland and Forest Grove she will go now to Washington for a similar ministry. On October 28 she will be at Milton; on October 29, 30, at Pendleton; on October 31, at La Grande. Church School leaders in these sections should take notice of this and avail themselves of the opportunity. Miss Irvin is par excellent in the field of leadership training.

The State Secretary enjoyed an 8 o'clock service at the Home for the Aged in Beaverton October 4; with the Church at Barlow for the morning worship hour; and with the Central Church, Portland, in the evening of the same day.